

REMARKS

In the instant amendment, the specification has been amended to claim priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/413,840, filed September 27, 2002, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/442,891, filed January 28, 2003.

Applicants inadvertently omitted an amendment to the specification within the required time period to recite a specific reference to the prior applications pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a). Accordingly, submitted herewith is a Petition to Accept an Unintentionally Delayed Claim for Priority under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 with provision for the required fee, if any. In view of the Petition and this submission, Applicants respectfully request that the amendment be entered.

Filing Receipt

Since a filing receipt has not yet been received in connection with the instant application, Applicants request that the Patent Office issue a filing receipt listing the International Application No. PCT/EP2003/010666, and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/413,840, filed September 27, 2002, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/442,891, filed January 28, 2003.

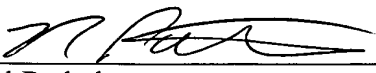
Grant of the Petition and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

No fees, except those for filing a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, if any, are believed to be due with amendment. However, if any fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 (order no. 129955-999010).

Respectfully submitted,

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